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Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-20 (cancelled)

Claim 21 (previously presented): An ice dispensing machine including:

a compartment including a compartment wall, said compartment containing an ice dispenser including a dispenser chute said compartment wall having an opening through which said dispenser chute is positioned;

a dispensing panel attached to said compartment wall and including a front with a display and a recess;

an ice delivery chute passing through said dispensing panel into said recess, said ice delivery chute being adapted to receive ice from said ice dispenser through said dispenser chute;

a shelf arranged beneath said delivery chute, a distance sufficient to allow an ice chest or ice bag to be positioned beneath said ice delivery chute; and,

an activating unit, including a money receptacle, for accepting money and activating said ice dispenser to deliver ice through said dispenser chute and said delivery chute into said ice chest or ice bag.

Claim 22 (currently amended): The panel of Claim 20 21 wherein an upper end of said ice delivery chute is located within a chamber formed in said dispensing panel, said chamber receiving said upper end of said dispenser chute.

Claim 23 (currently amended): The panel of Claim 20 21 wherein said dispensing panel includes a bag dispenser.

Claim 24-26 (cancelled):

Claim 27 (previously presented): The ice dispensing machine of claim 32 wherein said actuator includes a bill receptor and changer.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The ice dispensing machine of claim 32 wherein said display front includes a recess in which said delivery chute is located within said recess.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The ice dispensing machine of claim 28 wherein said shelf is pivotally mounted within said receptor.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The ice dispensing machine of claim 32 wherein said dispensing panel includes a display panel above said delivery chute.

Claim 31 (previously presented): A method of producing and dispensing ice including:

providing a compartment which includes an ice maker and an ice dispenser with an ice dispensing chute;

providing a dispensing panel which includes a display front, a chamber which receives a delivery chute, an activating unit, and a shelf beneath said delivery chute;

connecting said dispensing panel with said compartment with said dispensing chute positioned within said chamber and received in said delivery chute;

providing an ice chest which is approximately 2' high and placing said ice chest on said tray beneath said delivery chute;

actuating said actuating unit to cause said ice maker to make a designated set volume of ice and said dispensing machine to deliver said ice through said dispensing chute and said delivery chute into said ice chest and removing said ice chest.

Claim 32 (previously presented): An ice dispensing machine including a

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compartment having a side wall and a dispensing panel:

said compartment containing an ice making machine and an ice dispenser, said ice dispenser being adapted to receive, store and dispense ice;

said dispensing panel being attached to said side wall and having a display front, an actuator, a delivery chute, and a support tray positioned about 2 feet beneath said delivery chute;

said delivery chute being positioned to receive ice from said dispenser through a dispenser chute passing through said wall;

an actuator being operative to activate said dispenser to deliver a set volume of ice; whereby,

clearance is provided to position an Ice chest on said support tray to receive said pre-set volume of ice delivered from said dispenser through said dispenser chute and said delivery chute upon actuation of said actuator.